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1. AN ANALYSIS OF NEWS COVERAGE OF CAGLAYANGIL'S VISIT TO THE SOVIET UNION AND OF THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ISSUED AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE VISIT SUGGESTS THAT THE VISIT WAS SUCCESSFUL, BUT ROUTINE. IT DID NOT RESULT IN A DRAMATIC IMPROVEMENT IN SOVIET-TURKISH RELATIONS, BUT SOME PROGRESS DID OCCUR. OF THE THREE AGREEMENTS SIGNED (A TEN-YEAR ECONOMIC COOPERATION AGREEMENT, A FIVE-YEAR AGREEMENT ON SCIENTIFIC AND TECHNICAL COOPERATION AND AGREEMENT ON THE PREVENTION
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OF HIJACKING), ONLY THE HIJACKING AGREEMENT APPEARS TO REPRESENT A NEW STEP IN TURKISH-SOVIET RELATIONS. THE TEXT OF THAT AGREEMENT IS NOT YET AVAILABLE TO US, AND WE ARE, THEREFORE, UNABLE TO DETERMINE JUST HOW IMPORTANT IT MIGHT BE. PREVIOUS EFFORTS TO NEGOTIATE SUCH AN AGREEMENT HAD FAILED BECAUSE TURKS WERE UNWILLING TO ACCEPT SOVIET INSISTENCE ON AUTOMATIC EXTRADITION.

2. THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE IS VERY SIMILAR TO THE ONE ISSUED DECEMBER 29, 1975 UPON THE CONCLUSION OF SOVIET PREMIER KOSYGIN'S VISIT TO TURKEY. THE SECTION DEALING WITH THE MIDDLE EAST IS UNCHANGED EXCEPT FOR THE ADDITION OF A PHRASE CALLING FOR EARLY RESUMPTION OF THE GENEVA CONFERENCE. THE SECTION ON CYPRUS IS VIRTUALLY IDENTICAL TO THE PREVIOUS ONE. THE MOST APPARENT DIFFERENCE BETWEEN THE 1975 COMMUNIQUE AND THE ONE SIGNED LAST WEEK IN MOSCOW, IS THE INCREASED ATTENTION GIVEN BY THE LATTER TO DISARMAMENT ISSUES.

3. THE JOINT COMMUNIQUE ALSO CONTAINS A PHRASE (AS DID THE ONE SIGNED IN 1975) COMMITTING THE TWO SIDES TO SIGNING A POLITICAL DOCUMENT ON FRIENDLY RELATIONS AND COOPERATION DURING A HIGH LEVEL VISIT IN THE NEAR FUTURE.

4. DURING AN AIRPORT PRESS CONFERENCE UPON HIS RETURN TO ANKARA, CAGLAYANGIL CHARACTERIZED THE VISIT AS "VERY BENEFICIAL" AND HE EMPHASIZED THE GROWING ECONOMIC RELATIONSHIP BETWEEN THE TWO COUNTRIES. HE POINTED OUT THAT THE TEN YEAR TERM OF THE AGREEMENT ON ECONOMIC COOPERATION WAS OF PARTICULAR SIGNIFICANCE SINCE IT INDICATED THE "LONG TERM AND PLAN ORIENTED CHARACTER OF THE COOPERATION". ASKED ABOUT THE POLITICAL DOCUMENT, CAGLAYANGIL SAID IT HAD NOT BEEN DISCUSSED DURING HIS VISIT TO MOSCOW, BUT THAT WORK WAS PROCEEDING SEPARATELY. HE SAID A TIME HAD NOT YET BEEN SET FOR THE SIGNING OF THE DOCUMENT.

5. DURING NEXT SEVERAL DAYS WE WILL BE SEEING SEVERAL MFA
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OFFICIALS WHO ACCOMPANIED CAGLAYANGIL TO THE SOVIET UNION,
AND WE WILL REPORT ANY ADDITIONAL SIGNIFICANT INFORMATION WE
COME UP WITH.
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